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## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

3410 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

January 19, 2016

Attn: Captain Marie Triesky Greenbelt Police Department 550 Crescent Road Greenbelt, MD 20770

Re: Red Light Cameras Contract & MOU

Dear Captain Triesky,

As you may know Howard County recently underwent a request for proposals (RFP) to assess and select an automated red light cameras traffic enforcement vendor. That process is now complete, and after a lengthy vetting process Howard County awarded its contract to American Traffic Solutions (ATS).

Because you are a partner in the Regional Automated Enforcement Center (RAEC) red light cameras program I have enclosed a copy of the fully executed agreement between Howard County and ATS. It is a one year contract offering up to seven renewal periods.

Also enclosed and pending your review is two unsigned copies of a Memorandum of Understanding between Greenbelt and Howard County. In light of the new contract with ATS we need to update the MOU between our two jurisdictions. This MOU is minimally modified with no substantive changes from our prior agreement.

Finally, to keep all documents in one package I have enclosed an agreement between Greenbelt and the vendor (ATS) to utilize the same contract and terms that apply between Howard County and ATS.

Upon fully executing the three documents (2 original MOUs, and the ATS agreement) your red light cameras program will enjoy a seamless transition from the prior contract to the new one. The new contract with ATS also gives you the opportunity to upgrade your camera site(s) to the latest technologies, featuring higher resolution images and video. More details about upgrades will be discussed at the scheduled RAEC partners meeting on February 4 with the vendor.



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Please note I intend to be as transparent as possible, which is why I would like to explicitly inform you there is a modest increase in price in the new contract compared with the old. This is the first vendor fee increase in automated red light traffic camera enforcement in our partnership since 2008. The new pricing model is detailed at the top of page two of the contract.

Please also note there is a modest increase in the cost of services the RAEC provides, too. This is the first increase since 2004. While we considered updating the fee in 2009, we ultimately decided against it due to the economic recession at the time.

Feel free to contact me directly with any questions or concerns you may have. We are pleased to have you as a partner in the RAEC red light camera program, offering a heightened level of integrity and oversight in automated enforcement for both our jurisdictions.

Sincerely.

Adam Youssi

Red Light Cameras Program Administrator

Howard County Department of Police

Automated Enforcement Division

